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SUBJECT: CYPRIOT AMBASSADOR DIMITRIOU'S REQUEST FOR A
MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR SCALI

REF: USUN 4494

1. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS (LORENZ/WASHBURN TELCON 10/29)
THAT CYPRIOT AMBASSADOR TO US DIMITRIOU, NOW WITH CYPRIOT
DELEGATION TO UNGA, HAS REQUESTED A MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR
SCALI. PURPOSE IS TO FURTHER CLARIFY US CONCERN OVER
DRAFT CYPRIOT RESOLUTION TABLED OCTOBER 28. (REFTEL).

2. DIMITRIOU SHOULD BE CONTACTED BY AMBASSADORS
BENNETT OR SCHAUFEELE. HE SHOULD BE TOLD THAT, AS HE
IS AWARE FROM HIS RECENT DISCUSSIONS IN THE DEPART-
MENT, THE US PLACES GREAT IMPORTANCE ON AVOIDING ANY
ACRIMONY OR CONTROVERSY IN THE UNGA DEBATE ON CYPRUS WHICH
COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEGOTIATIONS
AMONG THE PARTIES MOST IMMEDIATELY CONCERNED. TO THIS
END WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE A RESOLUTION WHICH WILL NOT
POLARIZE POSITIONS OR PREJUDGE THE ISSUES WHICH WILL BE
DEALT WITH IN FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS.

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3. DIMITRIOU MAY ASK FOR OUR SPECIFIC OBJECTIONS TO THE CYPRIOT DRAFT RESOLUTION. WE SHOULD SAY IN REPLY THAT,

JUST AS WE DO NOT WISH TO INTERFERE IN THE SUBSTANTIVE NEGOTIATION AMONG THE PARTIES, WE ALSO DO NOT WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN THE DETAILED DISCUSSION OF DRAFT RESOLUTIONS AT THE UNGA WHICH SHOULD BE WORKED OUT AMONG THE PARTIES MOST CLOSELY INVOLVED IN THE CYPRUS PROBLEM. WE ARE, HOWEVER, CONCERNED IN GENERAL OVER THE CYPRIOT RESOLUTION BECAUSE IT CLEARLY CANNOT BE ACCEPTED BY ALL THESE PARTIES.

4. DELAYING THIS CONVERSATION UNTIL AFTERNOON, AS WE UNDERSTAND USUN INTENDS WILL HAVE ADDED ADVANTAGES THAT CYPRIOTS WILL, IN MEANTIME, HAVE BECOME ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATION ABOUT DRAFTERS OF NON-ALIGNED TEXT MAKING CYPRIOT DRAFT EVEN LESS RELEVANT SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION. INGERSOLL

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